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Grants available for at-risk male programs

TRENTON—The New Jersey Department of Human Services currently has the responsibility for coordinating the state's Minority Males Community Change Grant program which helps to support the health, human service, economic, education and employment needs of high risk minority males.

The Department has announced the availability of approximately \$250,000 for projects for the period January 1, 1996 to December 31, 1996. Grants to exceed \$10,000 will be awarded to provide activities to high risk minority male populations meeting one or more of the following goals: family unity; prevention or remedy health conditions in minority males; encourage young men to stay in school and to reach their full potential; prepare young men for the technical skills that will be needed in the future; and/or, reduce the likelihood that young men will become involved in the criminal justice system.

Application deadline is October 18, 1995. To be eligible, an applicant must be a non-profit organization. Applications received after 4:30 p.m. on October 18, 1995 will not be accepted for consideration. To receive applications please call Robert Hodges at 609-588-2283 or Pat Holstbeck at 609-964-7262 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

BIG shows support for Million Man March

WASHINGTON, DC—African-American government leaders attending the 17th Annual National Training Conference of Blacks in Government (BIG) voted to support the Million Man March scheduled for October 16, 1995. A unanimous resolution by the Delegates Assembly urged BIG to actively support the demonstration that will culminate on the steps of the nation's capitol.

The resolution noted the "proliferation of drugs and gun-related violence in the black community and the escalation of black male fratricide has diminished the positive role and attributes of black men, and instead has elevated ugly images of black men projected through movies, music and other communications technologies throughout the world as thieves and criminals."

It continued, "We encourage you to support the Million Man March for, and by black men in the United States of America, who will march in Washington, DC to convey to the

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JASON DORSEY IS FIRST AFRICAN AMERICAN TO JOIN USA1 NATIONAL BOBSLED TEAM

Plainfield resident and Seton Hall Prep baseball star is selected for first Bobsled Team



USA1 Bobsled team member Jason Dorsey and his mother Sandra Dorsey in front of Jason's bobsled.

Photo by Jack Saporito

by Lynne Johnson

If someone told you that you could make the USA National Bobsled Team just by pushing a bobsled on a 25-meter long rail, would you believe them? Jason Dorsey didn't either, but that's exactly what happened to the first African American selected to the USA1 bobsled team.

The 22-year-old Plainfield resident received his big break at an open tryout session in Seaside Heights, NJ for the National Team. Dorsey was walking by with some friends when one friend suggested he try, and he did. Not without speculation though, Jason remembers saying, "I'm really going to make the team, just by doing this? Yeah, right."

What started as a spur of the moment thing became a trip to Lake Placid, NY for the actual tryouts. This happened only a week after Dorsey scored one of the best pushing times at Seaside Heights. "I wasn't even in shape then," Dorsey states. In shape now, this newcomer had what it

took to get him through the next few weeks.

Requirements for the National team include passing a six-item test with a minimum of 625 points. The items include, 30, 60 and 100-meter sprints, a 16-pound shot-put toss, five consecutive pushes with both feet together, and a vertical leap. Dorsey scored a world-class high of 757 points, which took him on to the next week of training.

"We had a week of training to learn how to push," Dorsey shares. What could be technical about pushing? Well, there's a science to holding, moving and using your legs to get the right momentum so the bobsled can get a good start.

The pushes used in moving a bobsled, are the breakman push, and the sideman push. A breakman, stands behind the sled and power pushes, while a sideman runs the sled. In a two-man sled, there's a driver and a breakman, while in the four-man sled, there's a driver, two side men, and a breakman.

Dorsey practiced so hard, he pulled a hamstring only four days before the National Push Championships. Competition was keen, with 70 people trying out for only 13 spots. Coming in seventh in the breakman push was Dorsey, a former baseball player for the University of South Carolina. As onlookers, drivers can decide which guys will best serve the needs of their crews.

The team consists of three crews,

with a four-man sled and two-man sled on each. What sets the driver apart, is his ability to steer the entire amount of points without a push. Dorsey who was selected to the USA1 team by Brian Shimer says he was surprised at his being selected.

"I was surprised, this is the best sled in the country, it's weird to come out of nowhere and make the number one team," Dorsey exclaims. "I definitely think playing baseball helped me. You have to be physically fit, or you won't be able to handle it."

Sandra Dorsey, Jason's mother, was also surprised at her son being selected to the team.

"I can't believe he was playing baseball one day, and he was on the US National Bobsled Team the next (day). I am thrilled to death," said Mrs. Dorsey.

At 27 Dorsey is the youngest member of the team and the smallest. He's also only one of two African Americans on the National Team. Beginning in November, the Team goes to World Cup Tour to Norway, Germany, Italy, Switzerland and World Championship at Calgary in Canada. Look for the events on ESPN and ESPN2.

Practice takes up all of Dorsey's time, and he, like the rest of the Bobsledders, is unable to hold down a job. Therefore, he must depend on donations for everyday living. To donate funds, write: The Bobsled and Skeleton Federation, C/O Jason Dorsey, Lake Placid, NY. Phone: 1-800-BOBSLED

CBC forms black code of ethics

by Sherry Burrus

NEWARK—"...This country has risen to its great heights in part because of the blood, sweat, tears and sacrifices of our forefathers who believed that the promise of life, liberty, justice and the pursuit of happiness would be lived out to affect the future generations," read a portion of the preamble of the Black Social Revolution (BSR).

As more and more of our youth head down a self-destructive path filled with drugs, gangs, violence and crime, the Newark North Jersey Committee of Black Churchmen (NNJCBC) attempts to reform the

direction, attitudes, and behaviors of the American youth and young adults through the creation of its annex group, BSR.

Various local community leaders met last month at 472 West Market St. to revise the BSR's 14 amendment creed which they hope to have adopted as a new code of ethics for the misguided youth of today.

"The real inspiration for this came from a current initiative. Postponed until later, 'Sex in the Streets' (P.U.L.S.E.) has been such a phenomenal interest of young girls, that we desire to make this more global and include males as well, hence The Black Social Revolution," said Rev. Dr. E.W. Verner, president of NNJCBC.

P.U.L.S.E. is a program designed to help combat the steadily climbing numbers of teenage pregnancies.

P.U.L.S.E. participants, (most of whom are female) upon completing a five-day sexual abstinence program and vowing to abstain from sexual activities until they are married, receive a certificate of completion. The program is coordinated by Mary Blundy.

"We want to make it such an impact that we will virtually change the lives, behavior and attitudes of our young people, so in that sense it is

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Church leaders assume broader economic role

by William Reed

The most enduring institution in black America is finally attempting to make an impact on the lowly economic condition of African Americans. The black church which gained a position of prominence in the lives of blacks during slavery, and still has more members and influence over African Americans than any other black institution, is starting to initiate collective programs to bring broader economic development to blacks.

With Congress planning deep cuts in welfare programs and with the possible demise of affirmative action, black church leaders now say it's up to them to lure new businesses and jobs to blighted neighborhoods. To prepare for their new role in black America's economic development,

about 250 black Baptist preachers from across the nation recently gathered in Kansas City, MO, to discuss creating credit unions, real estate franchises and housing programs in their communities.

"The black preacher in the pulpit has to be concerned about what's happening in his neighborhood," says Rev. Hyman Jarrett of Kansas City, KS. "Because, one day, he'll wake up and his church will be full of people, and none will have a job."

Jarrett and the other 200 religious leaders are part of a new movement that seeks to use the influence and organizational power of black churches to establish links between corporations and poor communities. They met at the first Minority Enterprise Financial Acquisition Corp. (MEFAC) convention.

The Kansas City-based MEFAC was founded in March by the nation's two largest black religious groups—the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc., now headquartered in St. Petersburg, FL, and the National Baptist Convention of America Inc. of Shreveport, LA. The two groups enlisted the help of corporations—such as Electronic Data Systems of Plano, TX, and the Federal Home Mortgage Corp. of McLean, VA—to sponsor the three-day convention.

Representatives of over 50 companies organized workshops focused on developing credit card programs, corporate internships for minority youth and housing loan funds.

One project proposed by MEFAC will enlist the help of banks to start a venture capital fund to help build up

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Community task force underway

by Sherry Burrus

PLAINFIELD—Education reform was the business at hand at a preliminary Community Task Force meeting on September 20 at the Plainfield High School Library.

The meeting was called and conducted by Superintendent Larry Leverett in response to the Plainfield school district failing Level 1 monitoring by the state last school year.

Using the very popular expression by the Organization of African American Unity head, Malcolm X, Leverett expressed, "The bottom line

is we have to do whatever it takes to ensure that every child has an opportunity to participate in a structural program that will provide the knowledge, skills and conditions necessary for the child to succeed not only in school, but once he or she walks out the school house door, and this must be done by any means necessary."

Nearly 150 residents applauded the efforts and comments of the newly hired superintendent as he shared his plans for the 1995-96 school year and beyond. Leverett contends the main focus will be on passing the state monitor requirements.

"The Board of Education is focusing on several priority areas for the 95-96 school year. It will not be until probably the end of the 98-99 school year that we will have knocked out all of the deficiencies identified by the state," said Leverett.

Those priorities will focus on setting performance standards in math

and science, and on the state of the school's physical plant. He also mentioned the need for more staff and the possibility of a new school building.

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Newark Mayor Sharpe James (I) names senior code enforcement officer William Elmore as "Employee of the Month."

NEWARK—Newark Mayor Sharpe James recently fetted William Elmore of Newark, who serves as a senior code enforcement officer and constable, at a ceremony in the Second Floor Atrium at Newark City Hall, for his bravery in apprehending a hit-and-run driver while vacationing in Ormond Beach, Florida.

"Because of Elmore's heroism," said Mayor James, "he prevented the out-of-control car from hurting anyone else, and we are proud to salute Mr. Williams Elmore for his heroic act of bravery."

While driving with his family, Elmore noticed a Pontiac Firebird swerving behind him and allowed the car to pass him. He then observed the vehicle strike two pedestrians (a mother and daughter) and quickly leave the scene of the accident. Elmore began following the hit-and-run car, and about a half a block

away, he cut the car off and slowed it down. The Firebird, however, steered around Elmore's stopped car and kept going. Elmore then jumped out and chased after the car on foot. He ran alongside the driver's door, opened it and turned off the ignition. While bracing himself between the door and roof, Elmore reached in and stepped on the brake, stopping the vehicle. After subduing the suspect, he stayed with the hit-and-run driver until police and paramedics arrived.

"Heroes are a rare breed indeed," said Mayor James. "Mr. William Elmore is truly one of those uniquely brave and courageous individuals. He is a splendid role-model and ambassador for the City of Newark."

"This Newark husband and father could have very well driven on to his destination, but seeing a tragic need, he put his own safety aside to protect others," added James.



Sheila Thorpe, principal of Paul Robeson in Plainfield, describes the Community Planning process during the citywide meeting.

Photo by Jack Saporito

PEOPLE

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

THRU OCTOBER 16
NEWARK—Reserve your seats for the Million Man March bus trip to Washington (\$35 round trip). For more info call 201-643-7711.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5
JERSEY CITY—"Savvy harassment: Can It Happen To You?" community program at Jersey City State College at noon. For more info call 201-200-3182.

NEWARK—Christopher Columbus and The African Holocaust: Yesterday and Today" program at The Newark Public Library at 6 p.m. For more info call 201-643-7711.

JERSEY CITY—African Scholar Lecture on "Racism, Media, Economics, Crime and the Law" at Jersey City State College at 11 a.m. For more info call 201-200-3524.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6
CRANFORD—"Introduction to Computers" course at Union County College. For more info call 908-799-7550.

BEGINNING OCTOBER 6
ROSELLE—Ice skating at Wannanco Center at 5:30 p.m. For more info call 908-288-7850.

OCTOBER 6, 13, 20
TRENTON—Star parties from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at The State Museum. For more info call 609-292-6386.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7
PLAINFIELD—"Internet 101" free workshop and live demo at the Plainfield Public Library from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. For more info call 908-753-6575.

OCTOBER 7, 14
JERSEY CITY—"Treating Alcoholism & Drug Abuse Through Group Counseling" and "The Disease of Addiction: The Basics" certification courses at Jersey City State College from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more info call 201-200-3089.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8
NEWARK—Custodians Colombo Parade at the North Ward Center at 11:45 a.m. For more info call 201-481-0415.

HASBROOK HEIGHTS—Premier of African American Bridal Show at the Sheraton at 2 p.m. For more info call 908-249-6384 or 201-242-4159.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9
HACKENSACK—"Women Working Technica" 6 week program at Bergen County Technical Schools. For more info call 201-343-6000, ext. 2293.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10
EDISON—Latin Jazz Connection at Middlesex County College at noon. For more info call 908-908-2556.

HACKENSACK—"Where The Jobs Are: The High Demand Career Path" at Bergen County Technical Schools from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. For more info call 201-343-6000, ext. 3345.

BEGINNING OCTOBER 10
NEW YORK—"The Arts Create a City: New York 1870 - 1995" exhibit at The Metropolitan Museum of Art. For more info call 212-570-3943.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11
WAYNE—"SEED" project and seminar for teachers at William Paterson College at 4:30 p.m. For more info call 201-595-2436.

ELIZABETH—Financial aid workshop at Union County College at 3 p.m. For more info call 908-985-6051.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12
CRANFORD—Financial aid workshop for teachers at Union County College at 8 p.m. For more info call 908-709-7141.

BEGINNING OCTOBER 12
HACKENSACK—"Career Exploration For Women" workshop each Thursday 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Bergen County Technical Schools. For more info call 201-343-6000, ext. 3345.

JERSEY CITY—"Developmentally Appropriate Practices with Children" course at Hudson County Community College at 7 p.m. For more info call 201-714-2107.

Carolyn Edwards named to board of NASCC



Carolyn Edwards

NEWARK—Carolyn Wallace, director of the New Jersey Youth Corps of Newark, and co-founder of International Youth Organization has

been elected to a three-year term on the Board of directors of the National Association of Service and Conservation Corps (NASCC).

As a board member of NASCC, Wallace intends to continue her focus on youth employment and responsibility. In her work in Newark, she placed emphasis on providing structured, disciplined environment for young people.

"Youth responds to order. They are looking to adults to set a tone of integrity," Wallace said. "By providing guidance, we can help young people to counter the decadent influences of today's society and develop positive attitudes and skills necessary to become leaders in their communities," she continued.

Tennis tournament raises \$100,000 for art groups



TRENTON—Governor Christine Todd Whitman presented \$100,000 checks to 10 New Jersey arts organizations from the proceeds of the 22nd Annual Governor's Invitational Tennis Tournament held this summer. Fifty-seven New Jersey corporations participated in the tournament. Arts groups receiving the \$100,000 awards include: McCarter Theatre Center For The Performing Arts, Princeton; Nai-Ni Chan Dance Company, Fort Lee; New Brunswick Cultural Center, New Brunswick; Newark Public Radio, WBOG-FM, Newark; New Jersey Theatre Group, Florham Park; Poetry Center at Passaic County Community College, Paterson; Playwrights Theatre of New Jersey, Madison; Thomas Edison Media Arts Consortium/Black Maria Film Festival, Jersey City; New Jersey Network Foundation, Trenton; and Drumhackett Foundation, Princeton.

Ida Hammond appointed to college board of trustees



Ida Hammond

TRENTON—Ida B. Hammond was appointed to the Board of Trustees of Thomas Edison State College, Trenton. She joins the 11-member board which oversees the planning, development and operations of the college. Hammond, who had worked for the New Jersey State Department of Education in a number of positions for over 27 years, retired as a planning specialist in the Division of General Academic Education. She has served in a number of positions, including president, vice-president for development, vice-president of programs and director. She has also served as a member of the college's Academic Council and the Institutional Self-Study Task Force. Hammond lives in Willingboro with her husband, William.

Carter-Herbert appointed medical director

NEWARK—Lisa Carter-Herbert, M.D., was appointed medical director of Planned Parenthood of Metropolitan New Jersey. In her new capacity, Dr. Carter-Herbert, a family practice specialist, will oversee the agency's six sites located in East Orange, Montclair, Newark, Paterson and Pompton Lakes. She previously served as a staff physician at the center in Montclair.



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NATION

Evenyn White heads USDA personnel First African American and female to hold position

National News at a glance

HOWARD UNIVERSITY PRESS TO RELEASE DIRECTORY OF BLACK RELIGIOUS BODIES

Howard University Press has announced the release of the *Directory of African-American Religious Bodies: A Compendium by the Howard University School of Divinity, Second Edition*. The Directory is a comprehensive reference work exclusively dedicated to the African-American experience in America. The publication can be obtained from Howard University Press, by calling 800-441-1303.

—WASHINGTON, DC

COCA-COLA PLEDGES FURTHER INVESTMENT IN ZIMBABWE

Officials of soft drink giant Coca-Cola International say it will take advantage of economic reforms in Zimbabwe to increase investments in the Southern African country. The visiting Coca-Cola president for The Africa Group, Carl Ware, told the Zimbabwe-Inter Africa News Agency that the government had made "significant strides" in reforming the agro-based economy and in easing the foreign exchange market and the tax regime. These reforms have helped improve investor confidence. Coca-Cola has improved its marketing activities and continued its expansion into Zimbabwe's informal sector, and was the sponsor of the recent South All-Africa Games held recently in Harare, the Zimbabwean capital. Ware said by pouring money in the sponsorship of major sports events, the company was trying to create a bonding relationship between its products and the customer.

—HARARE, ZIMBABWE

AMERICANS TO CONDUCT RESEARCH ON EBOLA VIRUS

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta, Ga. says it will conduct research on the Ebola virus which claimed 244 lives in Zaire between May and August of this year. A communiqué from the U.S. embassy in Kinshasa, Zaire said the CDC would organize a workshop for medical staff in the Bandundu Province of central Zaire, an area most hit by the epidemic. The training will focus on new methods of gathering samples from suspected patients to facilitate treatment. It added. The centers said if the pilot program is executed satisfactorily, it would extend it to other Ebola-prone provinces in Zaire. The CDC reported that the program would make it possible to introduce an early warning system for the screening and monitoring of Ebola, which could then be adapted to other epidemics in Africa and elsewhere. The American government is expected to fund the project as well as provide other logistics at an estimated cost of \$929,032.

—KINSHASA, ZAIRE

INVESTORS FIGHT FREEZING OF BLCA'S ASSETS

A federal judge's order to freeze the assets of the Better Life Club of America, Inc. (BLCA), has sparked an angry reaction from a Washington, DC-based group of BLCA investors. The freeze was requested by Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), forbidding the club from soliciting new investors. Vision Inc., a DC chapter of investors in the BLCA, said the SEC's action was unwarranted and based with suspicion of racism on a black-owned business that offers financial empowerment programs which help members of the minority community. The SEC has alleged the club was nothing more than a "Ponzi" scheme with limited cash on hand to cover what it owes investors. Robert Taylor is founder and president of the BLCA. According to reports, the BLCA has collected more than \$35 million and does not have the \$17 million necessary to cover debts to investors.

—WASHINGTON, DC

WASHINGTON, DC—Evenyn M. White made history when she was appointed director of personnel at the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) becoming the first African American—and the first woman—to achieve the post.

"This is a dream come true," said the personnel head who never returned to Kansas City, Missouri, after vacationing with her sister in Washington, DC more than 28 years ago. "I always had a vision to be the director of personnel for a major cabinet level department or agency."

White's career as a public servant

spans more than 27 years and is one that has emphasized human resources management, administration, and equal opportunity and civil rights. At 11-year stint at the U.S. Postal Service was followed by posts at the U.S. Department of Energy and the office of personnel management before joining USDA management in 1982.

As the first African American and female to head the USDA's personnel department, White has to confront many challenges associated with a department whom many, both inside and outside of USDA, regard as being a network that was always hostile

blacks and other minorities. For her, that meant humanizing her department and educating all minorities to always take advantage of every opportunity and compete equally if not better at the USDA.

"Reculturizing means changing the culture," White said. "That means moving away from the perception of being the last plantation for government to being the employer of choice for people who want to work."

White continued, "I have an opportunity to make a difference in this department. Hopefully, when I leave, I will leave a legacy that people will remember—that I made a difference when I was here and that I made a difference in a time (government-wide downsizing and public attacks on affirmative action and equal opportunity) that was most difficult."



Evenyn White

Black publishers visit Nigeria

WASHINGTON, DC—A delegation of black newspaper executives and writers, led by National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) President Dorothy Leavell, recently visited Nigeria for eight days of fact-finding and investigative reporting to coincide with the 35th anniversary of the country's independence which was granted on Oct. 1, 1960.

"We hope to bring back not only accurate news of what is happening there, but we are seeking to have those who are being held as political prisoners released," stated Leavell.

The delegation's visit, from Sept. 26 through Oct. 3, comes at a time when U.S.-Nigerian relations are at an all-time low. President Clinton's special envoy to Nigeria, Ambassador Donald McHenry, has warned that current diplomatic sanctions against Nigeria will be tightened unless Abacha's military government initiates a step-by-step transfer of power to one of civilian rule, democratization and release of political prisoners.

"Much of the black community is divided on the issue of putting further curbs on our relations with Nigeria," said NNPA Executive Director Bill Reed. "The Black Press has noted that, for the most part, all reports coming from and about Nigeria have come through the white press and we don't feel their reports provide accurate balance."

"As we depart there is no question in any of our minds that progressive steps and actions need to be taken in regards to Nigeria. It is the largest country and has even more wealth and lifestyle opportunity than South Africa. Something must be in Africa. But, the question is do we take a stick or carrot approach to Nigeria?" Reed continued.

Every week pickets demonstrate outside Nigeria's embassy in Washington, and TransAfrica's Randall Robinson has called for economic sanctions comparable to those that were used against the apartheid regime of South Africa. A failed coup and the arrest of 40 alleged conspirators has stirred international calls for clemency from President Clinton, the Pope, and the Presidents of Zimbabwe and Kenya. President Mandela sent South Africa's Deputy President Thabo Mbeki to personally deliver his country's appeals for democratization and freeing of alleged conspirators.

The NNPA delegation included 10 black publishers, writers and photographers to record events. Leavell says that the 210 black newspapers in the NNPA intend to regain the clout and reputation that their predecessors

had back in the early part of this century among the black population

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EDITORIAL

Black Issues Convention calls for self-help action

The theme of this year's Black Issues Convention was Motivating Self-Help. We commend Ronald Tucker, Chairman of the Black Issues Convention and a Councilman in the City of Newark, the Black Issues Convention Board of Directors and the presenters who placed self-help on the agenda of the African community of New Jersey.

Clearly, the times call for a clear focus on growing businesses in our communities and reducing the community of the scourge of crime and illegal drugs. The Black Issues Convention, with its broad statewide network, can do much to lead the way to creating the momentum for self-help.

Helping Youth to help themselves

The infant Jose Clark has taken over the reins of the troubled Essex County Youth House. We commend County Essex James Treffering for appointing Mr. Clark. Joe is a leader who will set the type of standards and create the type of discipline the young people at the Youth House deserve. Right on Joe.

Affirmative action: the other side speaks out

by Paul Rockwell

CALIFORNIA—For over 25 years, opponents of affirmative action for women and people of color have overlooked a key American reality: The role of affirmative action in the lives of white men. Opposition to affirmative action is based on selective inattention to the social ills of which white men themselves depend.

Most of us recall the first heated arguments over preference programs which took place over 25 years ago in the classrooms of the Vietnam War. How easy it is to forget that people of color were over-represented in the involuntary battlefields of Indochina, while primarily white college youth were building their careers through one form of affirmative action—the college draft deferment.

Some professors, judges and journalists who oppose affirmative action today took advantage of such programs years ago.

It is time to consider the extent to which white males continue to be intertwined with preference policies. Tax breaks for corporations subsidies for middle-class home buyers, mass transit subsidies for white suburbs, bank bailouts for desperate bank executives, selective allocations for refugees and price supports for corporate farms are all shot through with considerations of need and preference.

In fact, in the last 50 years of social engineering, the vast majority of affirmative action policies were not for minorities. But white males, under President Franklin D. Roosevelt, the "New Deal" embarked upon a massive affirmative action approach to social crisis. The post-World War II Marshall Plan provided billions of dollars in financing and jobs in Europe. Former enemies got free training programs in Europe that were denied black GIs at home in America.

The "New Deal" concept of government intervention (affirmative action) into social problems became unpopular only after it was applied to the crisis of segregation. Until then affirmative action itself, but the extension of affirmative action to minorities and women that caused the backlash.

Supposedly this backlash is led by "angry white males." Well, we too are angry white males, but, contrary to the caricature, we support affirmative action. As white males whose families got free medical care, or unquestioned access to higher education through the GI Bill, and shared in the social uplift of the New Deal, we support affirmative action for those who are still left out.

There is a normal tendency for us to overlook the social ills, the network of special benefits on which we

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by Connie Woodruff

For the first years of its existence the Black Issues Convention (BIC) had taken on an African-American middle-class look with a preponderance of blacks from the corporate sector who attended because the cost of attending was underwritten by their corporate affiliation.

For the past few years, and particularly this year the grassroots have increased. Because of threats from Washington, that we face drastic cuts in social problems and possible inclusion of affirmative action mandates, suddenly BIC has become more relevant to urbanites and the disadvantaged living on the edge in suburban communities.

Following a gubernatorial tradition Gov. Christine Whitman addressed a gathering of young people Friday, the designated Youth Day.

and our families depend. The late Midge Snyder, advocate for the homeless, once gave an address to an affluent white audience.

Snyder asked, "Who lives in subsidized housing?" No one raised a hand. He then asked, "Who owned a home?" After everyone's hand went up, he pointed out that the Treasury gives up \$46 billion a year to homeowners deductions in a system that predominantly benefits those who earn more than \$50,000 a year.

Tax breaks for homeowners may not be wrong. What is wrong is the smug psychology of the Pete Wilsons, Pat Buchanans, Bob Doles and Phil Grinnins, who take advantage of all kinds of breaks for themselves while denying affirmative action to the most oppressed members of society.

Affirmative action is already part of the fabric of American life. We are all bound together in a vast network of affirmative action which we take for granted. It is hypocritical and profoundly wrong to call affirmative action for minorities "racism in reverse," while treating affirmative action for bankers, corporate farmers and white men of power, as entitlements.

Paul Rockwell is a white Rainbow Coalition activist from California.

Sisters: why one million men must march

by Asika Muhammad

There is a small, persistent, vocal group of women who bad-mouth the upcoming Million Man March to Atlanta. President Clinton, they say, I know there's probably not much I or any "testosterone unit" can ever say to convince those women that black men can, or should do anything without the proper female supervision, but I'll say to them, what I would say to my daughter, my wife, lover.

As a boy growing up in Watts, Ca. in the 1950s and 60s, I shared the common held belief of one day getting rich and buying a house for my mother. Even though my mother never had to bail her child out of jail, even though she never had to rear my children, even though I had a bottle of urine or pipe and would not come out to take care of my own family obligations; even so, when my mother died of a heart attack the Saturday before Thanksgiving, 1986, I was 30 miles away.

I know there is much for which I must atone. For one reason or another, I have had far too many wives and too few good paying jobs. I have been a living hell to the mothers of my children. I know there is much for which I must atone.

On balance, however, I am a "good" brother. I've never struck a woman in anger. I always contributed financially and emotionally to bringing up my children. I have never been a philandering husband. I don't know any man who has not done something for which they need to atone. Mistakes, errors are part of the "job description" of life. Like breathing out and breathing in.

In our community, both males and females make mistakes. If we were perfect, we wouldn't be in the miserable condition we find ourselves in. In America, Bill Cosby, Vernon Jordan, Earl Graves, Alvin Poussaint, Martin Luther King, Jr., and even you name him (or her for that matter) and he's made mistakes. There is no one who is above atonement.

There is a painful world that exists in our families. In our communities, because invariably our girls and women often realize before our boys and men do, that the innocent, the blame-

Speaking directly to the 200 plus teenage audience she said the challenge to adults is to make the world a better place for you and your children. "Proposing a partnership, a pact for meeting that challenge, she said, the role of young people is relatively easy."

"Pursue your dreams, set a goal, study hard and resist knee-jerk responses to the bad things that go down in the streets. If you keep your eyes on your goal, we can help you get to where you want to go," she promised.

The governor also noted that the Whitman administration is dedicated to making safer schools and neighborhoods for young people and "a superior education, regardless of where you go to school."

She pledged to support and strengthen programs to broaden the range of education and professional opportunities for minorities and women and greater protection of the interests of every child in the state by improving

programs that provide those who need it while offering a meaningful path for people to get off welfare.

She urged the young people not to become a statistic or fall victim to violence, crime or drug abuse. "You know the difference between right and wrong," she said. "You can do the right thing and say yes to the future which is yours to control. You can make a difference."

The Governor said she is committed to doing all these things "because you are worth our time, our money and our attention." Later, as they milled about the hall several of the youngsters said they were impressed with the governor whom many were seeing in person for the first time. They also said they remembered the promises she made and intended to monitor her actions and hold her to the concept of a "partnership" and hopefully encourage her to keep the promises made.

Black presidential candidates, a source of hope?

by Ken Morgan

talking about the U.S. or its actions.

These rumors of the race may about some of the rhetoric that reflects the interests of black and working people, but it is never in our context or on our terms. These "blonds" hang out in the "hood" of like choices that are passed off as the people's democratic right to choose their political representatives—the bedrock of "our" (oops!) U.S. democracy. They represent or are influenced by the elites who control the majority of wealth in the country, the ones who control most of the economy and who frame our political and social environments.

Take for example Jesse's "Parent Pledge" project to be signed by parents in 50 cities. His idea is to encourage parents to be more involved in school. Nobody disagrees with this thought. However, he starts from the premise that parents are the roots of the troubles with public schools, an idea similar to both the Democrat and Republican Parties' rhetoric, which (as neatly tied into the family values issue).

Jackson completely ignores the degrading resources for public schools, the fact that they are more segregated

now than before, the landmark *Brown vs. Kansas* 1954 Supreme Court decision, that there is a big drive to privatize public education and the oppressive socio-economic system that marginalizes, dehumanizes and alienates ever larger segments of the black and working class populations.

In reality, Jackson helps to justify the assault on public education. Though he is threatening to run as a role of Fred Piper, drawing blacks to Bill.

Powell, most likely the first serious black presidential candidate, is so because he has proven his mettle as National Security Advisor and chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

So, in November, 1996, if you vote for these brothers dressed in donkey brown, elephant gray, or as fake independents or whether you vote for President Clinton or Dole, be assured, black gains are the results of our organized struggle. The Civil Rights Movement is a prime example of what I mean. All social gains, from women's rights to labor gains, including the eight-hour day, resulted from struggle.

I call for a truly black political party led by working people, everyday people, where political action takes place everyday, not just once every two or four years; a party where participants are not beholden to the orchestra of the wealthy and big businessmen to whose music the two parties almost always dance; where foreign policy is based on international human solidarity and not how much profit you can squeeze from a country. That's the only time we can say "our" or "we."

Just like Bill, Bob, and the others in the herd of presidential candidates, none of our good brothers are for quotas and timetables in enforcing true affirmative action. All of them, like Bill and Bob, start from how

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to 50,000 housing units in poor neighborhoods, says Rev. Walter Cade of Kansas City, MEPA's assistant director of Economic Development. Cade says about 500 pastors nationwide are expected to agree to help set up financing for the construction of up to 60 homes in their communities. According to Cade, the program could

Another convention highlight that drew an appreciative crowd was the panel of elected officials dealing with local and state issues impacting on African Americans. County Assemblyman Joe Charles presided over the panel that included State Senators Wynona Lipman and Rick Davis of Essex County, State Senator Wayne Bryant, Camden County, Assemblypersons Nia Gill and LeRoy Jones, Essex County and Tom Smith of Monmouth County. Mayor Mark Furry of Plainfield and Sam Bost of Irvington were in the audience.

The audience was comprised of people comfortably safe in their public and private sector jobs, and recent and long time jobless. They asked questions and voiced fear about privatization, the shrinking pool of government workers, rising racism in small towns in New Jersey and reduction of opportunity for high school and college graduates.

"we" can get rid of the deficit. None of the black presidential hopefuls, like Bill and Bob, acknowledge the real deal; that government cut backs in social programs and entitlements mean lower taxes and less social wage contributions from employers.

And they ignore that much of the balance-the-budget billhook is based on protecting the government and the bond security holdings of the wealthy (between 40 and 50 percent of U.S. government bonds and security holdings are owned by banks, corporations, and insurance companies). In other words, the less social wage and taxes they pay, the more profits are made in a world where profits are harder to come by.

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to get to heaven without black women.

What will be different and why I personally intend to be one in a million that day is that black men and black women will be awake at the same time. We'll both have our "Eyes on the Prize" at the same time, the same prize for a change. Our eyes will be turned toward "freedom."

How can any black woman not cheer the prospect that black men—homebodies, 40-ounce-drinking, trash-talking, trouble-making rough-necks—are standing up for themselves and are determined, taking themselves and their responsibilities as human beings seriously for a change?

The first act in this, hopefully life-changing, life-affirming process that will literally alter the history of all our people's presence in America, is staying home from our jobs, "facing the rising sun, of our new day begun," marching in Washington, shoulder-to-shoulder one million strong, in solidarity with one another, in honorment for our triffing past.

begin in two years.

The ministers reported that no other group can match the church's ability to bring resources and people together in black communities.

"The black church is basically the only game in town," said Rev. Henry Lyons, president of the National Baptist Convention.

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THRU OCTOBER 21
JERSEY CITY—"A Journey Through Children's Folk Tales" creative writing course at Jersey City State College. For more info call 201-200-3089.

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JERSEY CITY—"Musical Theater and You" musical theater course at Jersey City State College. For more info call 201-200-3089.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5
WATCHUNG—"Fungus Among Us" program at the Watchung Reservation at 2:00 p.m. For more info call 908-788-3870.

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NEWARK—"Latin American arts and crafts workshop" at The Newark Library at 2 p.m. For more info call 201-7772.

NEWARK—The Newark Housing Authority (NHA) Scholarship Foundation presented scholarships totaling \$28,000 to 97 NHA college bound students who are currently living in public housing, including 13 in the June graduating class of 1995. Below are a list of the 13, 1995 scholarship recipients who are attending college this fall:

Pamela Graham, Central High School. She is a student who has excelled in academics and has been accepted at Montclair State University.

Kim Terry, Arts High School.

She was a committed activist in her high school's extra-curricular programs. She attended Morgan State University.

Tameka Washington, Malcolm X Shabazz H.S. Tameka plans to become a registered nurse. She has been accepted at Georgian Court College.

Jameelah Terry, Malcolm X Shabazz H.S. In addition to being NHA Scholarship recipient, Jameelah has also been presented an Edward J. Bloustein Award of \$1,000 per year during her four years in college. She was accepted to Montclair State and

William Paterson College.

Anthony Benjamin, Central High School. Anthony attends Seton Hall University.

Rashida Sadiq Williams, Newark Academy. Rashida has gained numerous citations for excellence in scholarship, volunteerism, leadership and athletic participation.

Rosalyn Porter, West Kinney Alternative H.S. Rosalyn attends Essex County College.

Audrey Bohler, Arts High School. Audrey intends to become a

doctor, with specialty in obstetrics and gynecology.

Tamara Mitchell, Malcolm X Shabazz H.S. Tamara is a member of the freshman class at Rutgers State University in New Brunswick and was also a recipient of an Edward J. Bloustein Scholarship Award.

Shaneeka Croom, East Side High School. Shaneeka will pursue the career of registered nurse at Grambling State University.

Miranda Roberts, Barringer High School. Miranda has chosen

Franklin Pierce College where she will pursue a career in Psychology or Criminal Justice.

Diana Pinder, University High School. Diana attends Spelman College pursuing a career in corporate law, with emphasis on assisting in the development of African-American businesses.

Shakeriah Odom, Malcolm X Shabazz H.S. Shakeriah attends Morris College.

To support the fund, you can make a tax deductible donation in cash, by check or through deductions in easy monthly payments through your firm's payroll department.

Along with the initial scholarship award, each enrolled student is eligible to receive an annual book stipend. The goal of the foundation is to encourage and assist students from public housing in continuing their education, in order for them to achieve their career goals. Send contributions to: The Newark Housing Authority Scholarship Foundation, 57 Sussex Avenue, Newark, NJ 07103-3992 or call 201-430-2592.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority hosts College Career Day

NEWARK—The members of North Jersey Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will host their 26th College Career Day at Essex County College in Newark on October 19. This event established by the chapter in 1969, has been held at Essex County College since 1977.

Delta's North Jersey Alumnae Chapter hosts several education programs, one of them being their annual College Career Day. This program is designed to assist 11th and 12th graders as they prepare for their education beyond high school.

There will be over 40 college representatives on hand to address the 500 to 600 students expected to attend from Jersey City, Irvington, Newark, Plainfield, Maplewood and the Oranges. Also offered will be sessions on admissions, how to complete the New Jersey Financial Aid form and career information.

The College Career Day will run from 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and admission is free. Parents are encouraged to bring their college bound children. For more information call Ms. Patricia Slade at 201-877-3012 during business hours.

Cinderella performed in ballet

WEST ORANGE—New Jersey Ballet Company is staging two performances of the classic fairy tale Cinderella, on October 8 and 15.

The October 8 performance will be held at the John Harms Theater in Englewood and with the performance on the 15 at Kean College in Union.

Tickets for the October 8 performance are \$10 and can be purchased through the John Harms Box Office by calling 201-567-3600.

Tickets for the Kean College performance are \$7 and can be purchased on at the Wilkins Theater before or on that day.

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NEW YORK, NY—Mickey Mouse and an awesome assembly of legendary Disney heroes and heroines in the new *Walt Disney's World on Ice* takes the ice November 1 through 5 in New York City's Madison Square Garden, November 14 to 19 in Unidome's Nassau Coliseum and November 21 to 26 in East Rutherford, New Jersey's Byline Meadowlands Arena.

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Newark holds sports, games competitions

NEWARK—The Newark Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) will coordinate an interdepartmental competition for Newark's own weekend warriors, from late September to mid-October at the John F. Kennedy (JFK) Recreation Center and Aquatic Complex.

The schedule for the competition is as follows: Volleyball, week of October 5, JFK; basketball, week of October 10, JFK; scramble, October 11-14 city hall; Bid Whist October 11-14 city hall. For details, please call 201-733-7600.

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Dinosaur Mountain performing at Montclair State University 10/29/95

MONTCLAIR—Be prepared to journey back in time to the era when dinosaurs roamed the earth. "How is this possible?" you may ask. It's quite simple really—just use a time machine.

No, this is not fiction. It is part of the action-packed musical theatre experience called *Dinosaur Mountain*, which comes to Montclair State University's (MSU) Memorial Auditorium on Sunday, October 29, at 1 p.m.

The audience will take a journey through time and become part of the Mesozoic era in a fun, fact-filled afternoon that can be enjoyed by the entire family. The show is produced by American Family Theatre, Inc., the oldest and largest producer of musical theatre for families and young audiences.

Dinosaur Mountain opens the 1995-96 season of the Great Events series, part of MSU's School of Fine and Performing Arts. This season also includes the Tito Puente Latin Jazz Ensemble, *The Nutcracker*, *Roméo and Juliet*, the Preservation Hall Jazz Band, and *Wizard of Oz*.

For tickets and general admission information call 201-655-5112.

Morristown-Beard School to hold homecoming

MORRISTOWN—The annual Homecoming Weekend at Morristown-Beard School will take place Friday and Saturday, October 6 and 7. Students will attend a pep rally Friday at 5:45 p.m., followed by the Upper School Homecoming Dance at 7 p.m. Saturday's events will begin with a cross country game against Rutgers Prep and a boys soccer game against Wardlaw-Hartridge. The alumni soccer game and the varsity football contest between Morristown-Beard and

Wardlaw-Hartridge are also scheduled for the day. The annual Kirby Mile will take place during half-time of the football game. Wardlaw-Hartridge will be the opponents for the girls soccer game at 3:30 p.m. and girls tennis at 3:45 p.m.

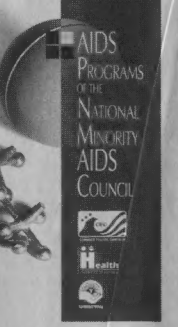
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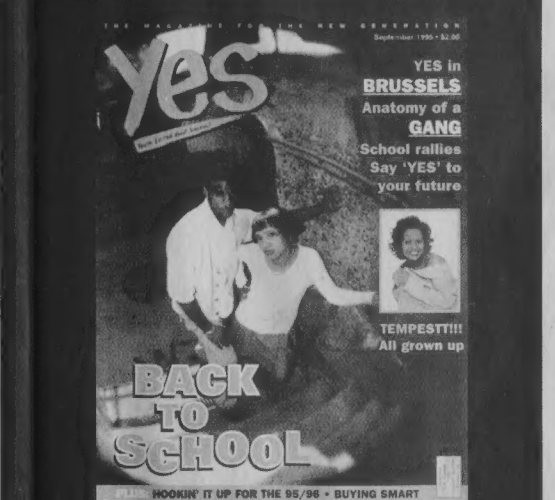
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EAST ORANGE—The North Jersey Blood Center has announced an urgent need for "Three hundred and fifty pints of blood needed to be donated every day to adequately meet the needs of patients in our local hospitals," according to Judy Knecht, spokesperson for the blood center.

Donors must be 18 years of age. Seventeen year olds may donate with parental permission. There is no upper age limit for donors, provided they have donated within the last 2 years, or have a doctor's note.

Donors should know their social security number and bring a signed form of identification. People with cold or flu symptoms should wait until they are feeling better before donating, and there is a 72 hour deferral for dental work, including routine teeth cleaning. For those who have traveled outside of the United States recently call the blood center for eligibility criteria. For more information or to sign up for a blood drive, call the blood center at 1-800 BLOOD NJ.

Code of ethics

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a revolution because we seek to make radical changes," said the NNJCBC president.

Verner says it is the responsibility of the black ministers to teach and educate people in the community. In addition to youth reform, NNJCBC is also working actively to form a relationship with the state. Meetings have been held with Gov. Christine

Whitman to discuss the concerns of the African-American community.

According to Dr. Verner, "with cuts coming out of Washington D.C. as block grants, the state is going to have to do more with less. We want to prepare our community for that."

One of the cuts Dr. Verner is referring to is the recent decision to distribute all welfare money to the

states in a block grant, in which the state will decide how the money is distributed. One of the concerns NNJCBC has about these block grants is having the money used to give tax breaks to the wealthy, as part of the Governor's plan to reduce taxes.

"We want to be included on the discussions and decision making from the very beginning of things and let the

governor know that we will be monitoring this very carefully," added Dr. Verner.

"As sleeping giants, we have risen from slumber and will take charge of our own destiny. The Black Social Revolution is on!" (BSR preamble ends).

Task force

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and science; creating a budget development process; building facilitation and staff development skills (developing a set of standards teachers will be held accountable for); addressing items identified by the state; and building a relationship with the community.

According to Leverett, community involvement will enable the school district to come up with recommendations to improve the districts weak areas such as improving facilities and technology.

"Everyday that we don't deal with the issue of technology in Plainfield we are sentencing our children to a life of functional literacy. Our teachers need to be trained and not with a one day workshop or a Tuesday orientation...our staff needs big time development," said Leverett.

Several citizens addressed their concerns to the superintendent about the school district. One woman stood up and said, "I don't like what you are producing in the schools...it's the future of our children we are talking about. We have to care enough about our kids to fight in the public school system."

Another woman offered suggestions for improving the district, saying it was important to allow the children to participate in setting the standards in the schools. "What do the children want to see in the schools?" she asked. "It's important to take the time to listen to the kids."

The task force will consist of several design teams made-up of staff, administration and community members. The teams will focus on a specific area such as arts and culture, curriculum and standards, educational effectiveness and quality insurance, technology, and transition community.

Economic role

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tist Convention USA Inc., which represents multi-millions of black churchgoers. "We need other games, like black banks, food store chains and other services," stated Lyons.

Ministers assembled for the meeting said they weren't neglecting their religious mission by promoting business in their communities. Traditionally, ministers were trained only in the Gospel, many said, but the job must involve much more than that. "The ministry is about the total man, not just preaching on Sunday," said Rev. John Modest Miles of Kansas City, MO. "Jesus not only talked about salvation. He also fed his people."

Many community activists say it is high time that church leaders venture into black-oriented economics. Numerous ministers have moved beyond religious duties; gaining elected office on the local, state and federal levels. Also, activists say that black churches, which collectively hold more money than any other black institution in America, have not been reciprocal to their communities over the years. Many urban leaders criticize churches, and their ministers and deacons, for putting their funds in white-owned banks and letting the bulk of their building, maintenance and professional contracts primarily to white firms.

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ARTS WEDNESDAY

All star cast appears in Dead Presidents

HOLLYWOOD, CA—Anthony Curtis (Larenz Tate) is a bright 18-year-old, from the Bronx, who in 1968, is stepping into manhood. Choosing not to immediately enroll in college, he decides to leave his mentor Kirby (Keith David), girlfriend Juanita Benson (Rose Jackson) and her sister Delliah (N'bushe Wright), to enlist in the Marine Corps. His buddy Skip (Chris Tucker) and friend Jose (Freddie Rodriguez), soon join him.

It is 1972 when Curtis returns to his neighborhood, only to discover that he is not treated as a hero. Though for a while he manages a part-time job in a butcher's shop, Curtis, with his girlfriend Juanita, who bore his daughter shortly after he enlisted, is living in an infested South Bronx apartment, barely making ends meet.

His world has completely changed. Afforded little respect, and eventually unemployed and desperate, Curtis feels he has no alternative but to take part in a scheme to obtain some "dead presidents"—a slang term for cash: bills of currency that bear the images of past U.S. Presidents. He believes that one well-executed score will secure a chance at a better life for himself, for his daughter and for the people of his community.

Curtis contributes his combat knowledge to help plan the heist of an armored car that carries out-of-circulation currency to be burned in Washington. His fellow vets, including Skip, Jose and Cleon (Bokeem Woodbine), along with Kirby and Delliah, all band together for the criminal act as a final means of survival.

Inspired by actual events, producer/directors Albert and Allen Hughes' drama *Dead Presidents*, chronicles a young man's struggle to define his place amidst the chaos of the late 1960s and early 1970s. The Hughes brothers, fraternal twins who made their feature film directing



Finding their world completely changed after returning from war in Vietnam, a disillusioned Anthony Curtis (Larenz Tate, second from right) and his buddies Cleon (Bokeem Woodbine, left), Jose (Freddie Rodriguez, second from left), and Kirby (Keith David, right), have no alternative but to take part in a desperate scheme to obtain some "dead presidents."

debut at age 20, are best remembered for their highly praised movie, *Menace II Society*, which won the "Best Picture" award at the 1994 MTV Movie Awards, and was based on a story that the brothers developed at age 14.

For the casting of *Dead Presidents*, the filmmakers assembled some of the finer young African-American and Latino talents of their generation. "In casting, we always

want to find the best, most believable actors for the job," said Allen Hughes.

"We knew we'd work with Larenz again at some point. (Tate first appeared in *Menace II Society* as O-Dog) so we didn't think it would be right away," says Albert Hughes. "We started to put this script together and began thinking about who could handle it and that's when we thought of Larenz."

"Anthony is an ambitious kid," says Tate of his character. "He has a good heart. Even when he is at his lowest, he wants to make life better for his daughter and for the kids in the neighborhood who he also sees going without."

Tate continued, "I thought the script was very compelling. The Hughes brothers created this wonderful character, and I enjoyed living it out for them."

MOVIE REVIEW

Dangerous Minds and hopeless hearts

by B.B. Robinson

The reviews for the movie *Dangerous Minds* starring actress Michelle Pfeiffer have spanned the spectrum from positive to negative. Some of the reviews minimize the importance of the movie by passing it off as just another movie that features an underdog solving the problems of inner-city youth in a classroom environment. But for African Americans, *Dangerous Minds* poses other problems.

The film features two of the nation's "official" minority groups: African Americans and Hispanics. But unlike other movies that have featured inner-city youth, this movie focuses on Hispanics more than African Americans. This, in itself, is not earth-shattering news. What is alarming is the treatment of African Americans in the movie.

In this genre of movies, one is not surprised to see African-American youth dancing for entertainment accompanied by sexual innuendo, playing basketball, and speaking non-standard English, i.e., playing the traditional negative stereotypical roles. These characterizations are pervasive throughout the movie. What is surprising are the three "positive" roles played by African Americans that carry strong "negative" implications.

First, there is the "brightest" girl in the class, Kelly. Even though she has great potential, it is thwarted when she turns up pregnant. Kelly is college material. The miracle-working teacher, Mrs. Johnson (Michelle Pfeiffer), attempts to keep Kelly on track by inviting her to remain in the high school as opposed to attending a school for mothers-to-be with a poor environment for academic learning. However, Kelly refuses further her stature when she discounts Mrs. Johnson's pleas and leaves the high school.

Another potentially positive role is that of the mother of a student called Durell. Durell's character is the epitome of what non-African Americans might conjure up when they imagine negative stereotypes of inner-city African-American male youth. However, Durell becomes a good student and proves himself to be willing to learn. His work ethic includes studying hard and working hard at an after-school job. As soon as Durell begins to show real promise in the classroom, he disappears from the class.

To find out why, Mrs. Johnson

goes to Durell's home. Upon arrival, Durell's mother explains in a very masculine way, "we are not raising no doctors or lawyers here," and explains that Durell cannot attend class because he must work. Apparently, the mother is more concerned with Durell earning a few dollars as a day laborer than with his potential for earning a respectable lifetime income after he completes high school, and possibly college.

Mr. Grundy, an African-American administrator in the high school, also proves to be a disappointment. He is the stereotypical African-American who has "made it," and who is willing to keep what he has even at the expense of the poor student.

Grandy, at one point refuses to admit Amelio, an Hispanic student who attends the school, into his office because Amelio fails to knock politely before entering. What Grundy does not realize is that Amelio is in a life and death situation. By turning him away, he fails to help solve a problem that leads to Amelio's death.

African Americans should be concerned that Hollywood is producing movies that place them in potentially positive roles, only to result in negative outcomes. Ideally, Kelly would have graduated with honors; Durell's mother would have ensured Durell's return to the classroom; and Grundy would have saved Amelio's life. But because of the actual outcomes, it is easy to leave the movie thinking that African Americans do not deserve help in extricating themselves from the ghetto.

Although the movie is based on a true story told by the school teacher Mrs. Johnson, one wonders why there wasn't a greater emphasis on her students who succeeded and fulfilled their potential rather than those who failed. Moreover, the successful African Americans portrayed are not role models because many of them turned their backs on others attempting to accomplish the same feat.

The portrayal of African Americans in this light makes *Dangerous Minds* a depressing movie for African Americans who are looking for signs of hope rather than more despair in the lives of urban youth.

B.B. Robinson, a member of the national Advisory Council of the African-American leadership group Project 21, and president of Eye on the Media, Incorporated in McLean, VA.

The Shirelles in concert



The Shirelles

National Public Radio brings Jazz series to listeners



Wynton Marsalis and friends in a music session. Photo by Jeffrey Kilman

WASHINGTON DC—Beginning this month, National Public Radio (NPR) teams up with two of America's favorite jazz artists, Wynton Marsalis and Dr. Billy Taylor, to present two new radio series: *Making The Music* and *Billy Taylor's Jazz* at The Kennedy Center. Both programs are 26-part series that explore the inner workings of jazz through conversation, performance,

and demonstration with top jazz personalities. *Billy Taylor's Jazz* at the Kennedy Center will include guests such as Nancy Wilson, Jon Hendricks, Diane Reeves, Frank Wes and Marian McPartland. In *Making The Music*, Marsalis will host conversations and performances with other musicians while helping listeners to explore the making of Jazz music.

Fury of Movement exhibit at Swain Galleries



PLAINFIELD—It is not New York's skyline but the "Fury of movement" on the city's streets that attracts New Jersey artist Michael McGinley, whose "New Paintings" will be mounted in a solo exhibit, Oct. 7 to Nov. 3, at Swain Galleries in Plainfield.

New to this latest series are oil paintings of the Bethlehem Steel works in Pennsylvania. In particular, McGinley's triptych, "Cathedral," illustrates how, in the way that New York's skyscrapers tower over the streets, the steel factory dominates the town, creating what the artist calls

"an incredibly visual" experience of a town dependent on an overpowering influence—its row houses, hilltop cemetery, the cycle of birth to death.

In this exhibit, McGinley's "paintings of Manhattan will include Wall Street, Times Square with its oversized billboards, Trinity Church, a haven in the heights and a Fifth Avenue merge of taxi after taxi in a funnel of skyscrapers. Entitled "Running Meters," the view shows that not one taxi is unoccupied, not one is lighted on top.

For more information call 908-756-1707.

Fall black bridal shows offer something for everyone

NEWARK—African Bride International will host two bridal shows for women of color. The first will be at the Sheraton in Haddonfield Heights on October 8. A Caribbean bridal show will take place at the Holiday Inn Jetport at Newark Airport on November 5.

Brides-to-be will get an opportunity to meet with wedding professionals and special guest for the afternoon, Harriette Cole, author of *Jumping the Broom*, and fashion editor of *Essence* magazine.

Performing at the Caribbean bridal show will be Desmond Figaro, master of ceremonies and the musical masters of the steel drum, Pan Jersey Steel Orchestra. Both shows are from 2-5 p.m. on Sundays.

"These shows are for brides-to-be who are ready to make arrangements for their wedding day," Lisa G. Gentry, special events consultant, said.

Wedding professionals will be on hand to offer services ranging from photography to lingerie. The shows include a fashion show with bridal gowns and bridesmaid dresses for petite to full figured women.

Mothers of the bride and second time around brides will also be included. Afro-centric gowns will be modeled along with original ensembles as well as a Men's Corner featuring wedding accessories for the groom. For tickets or to become a vendor call 201-242-8199 or 908-249-6384.

BRANCHBURG—The Shirelles, known for their hits "Will You Still Love Me Tomorrow" and "Soldier Boy," will bring their magic to the stage at Raritan Valley Community College on Saturday, Oct. 21 at 8 p.m.

The Shirelles continue to wow audiences with their high-energy shows. The group was launched into stardom in 1958 with the smash hit "I Met Him On A Sunday." The group was also responsible for launching the careers of songwriters Carole King "Will You Still Love Me Tomorrow" and Bart Bachrach "Baby It's You."

The Shirelles made numerous television appearances, including Ed Sullivan Show, Dick Clark Specials, Solid Gold and Classic Rock and Roll Reunion. They also appeared in several movies, including "Let the Good Times Roll" and "Dirty Dancing." Recently honored for their accomplishments by BMI (Broadcast Music Inc.) and by the Vietnam Veterans of America, the Shirelles are currently involved with the Foundation for the Love of Rock 'n' Roll, Inc. The foundation raises funds for the establishment of a retirement residence for rock and roll performers.

Come out to Cori-Ella's

Cori-Ella's Cafe on the Green located in downtown Plainfield at 111 E. Front St. is offering live entertainment as part of its services. Performances include:

Wednesday Oct. 4 - Open Mike - 8 p.m. - 1 a.m.
Thursday Oct. 5 - Live Jazz &

R&B - 8:30 p.m. - 2 a.m.
Friday Oct. 6 - Live R&B - 8:30 - 2 a.m.
Saturday Oct. 7 - Teen Night - 8:30 12:30 a.m.
Sunday Oct. 8 - Live Gospel/Buzz Brunch - 1 - 4 p.m.
Wednesday Oct. 11 - Open Mike - 8 p.m. - 2 a.m.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5
EAST ORANGE—National Depression Screening Day at 424 Main St. from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more info call 201-509-9777.

PLAINFIELD—Blood Drive at United Presbyterian Church from 3-8:30 p.m. For more info call 908-756-6414.

MONTCLAIR—National Depression Screening Day at 33 Fullerton Ave. from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more info call 201-509-9777.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8
MAHWAH—Sharp Cycle for Cancer Care bicycle event at Ramapo College. For more info call 201-379-7500.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9
PLAINFIELD—Blood Drive at St. Bernard's Church from 3-8:30 p.m. For more info call 908-756-6414.

BEGINNING OCTOBER 9
NEW BRUNSWICK—Living With Arthritis: six week class at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at 8 p.m. For more info call 908-937-8820/8505.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11
MONTCLAIR—Breast Cancer Relay for Life at noon at Montclair State University. For more info call 201-655-5114.

BEGINNING OCTOBER 11
PLAINFIELD—Aging Issues for Those Who Care: six-part program at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center at 7 p.m. For more info call 908-668-2328.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12
IRVINGTON—Community High Blood Pressure Control Program, sponsored by the Dept. of Health's Nursing Division, at the Senior Citizens Center from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. For more info call 201-399-6552.

GREEN BROOK—Free flu shots for senior citizens at Greenbrook Manor from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more info call 908-988-5550.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15
EAST ORANGE—"Walk into the light" marathon at 1:30 p.m. in the Prospect House parking lot. For more info call 201-509-9777.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16
UNION—Union Hospital Foundation's Golf Outing at The Suburban Golf Club at 11:30 a.m. For more info call 908-687-1900, ext. 2020.

OCTOBER 21 - 25
ATLANTA—1995 American Society of Anesthesiologists Meeting. For more info call 708-925-5588, fax 708-925-5654.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22
ATTENTION—Fifth Annual Walk-Along for Lupus. For more info and various locations call 1-800-322-5816 or 201-791-7868.

ATTENTION:
PLAINFIELD—Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center offers community health education classes and support groups for cancer, childbirth, Lamaze, diabetes, etc. For more info call 908-668-2000.

TUNE IN—Conversations with Carrier a live call-in program every Sunday which discusses various health topics can be heard from 9:30 to 10 a.m. on WPAT 930-AM.

PLAINFIELD—Sign up for first aid course at the Plainfield American Red Cross. For more info call 908-756-6414.

Celebrating healthier Essex County babies



NEWARK—A recent March of Dimes grant presentation was held at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center to help kick-off October as campaign for Healthier Babies Month. Pictured are (l-r): Susan A. Orshan, Ph.D., professor at Rutgers School of Nursing and a member of the March of Dimes Health Professionals Advisory Committee; Dolores Sherrod, assistant nurse manager in the Parent-Child Division of Newark Beth Israel Medical Center; Lester M. Bornstein, president of Newark Beth Israel Medical Center; and Patricia Clark, president of Special Efforts Public Relations in Newark, a March of Dimes board member and co-chairman of the 1995 March of Dimes Community Service Awards Banquet to be held on October 12 at The Newark Club. The 1995 March of Dimes grant of \$8,000 will help fund a culturally appropriate prenatal education program through a community partnership with St. James A.M.E. Church in Newark. For more information, call the March of Dimes at 201-882-0700.

AT&T and DEP invite the public to save the forests

BASKING RIDGE—AT&T and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's State Forestry Service invite the public to join AT&T volunteers, families and friends, as well as community organizations and Woody The Owl, in their efforts to re-green the state's forests.

On October 7 and 8, AT&T is sponsoring "Branches Out," a program designed to support the Forestry Service's Community Forestry Program. The goal of both programs is to reforest designated areas in the state. Volunteers of all ages are needed to help plant thousands of tree seedlings. In addition to planting, there will be arts and crafts for the children.

educational information sessions and a visit from Woody the Owl. Each volunteer will receive a tree seedling to plant at home and a T-shirt as a thank you for participating.

"We're looking for people to come out on a fall weekend to show their concern for New Jersey's environment and have some fun at the same time," said Robert Neressian, community relations director for AT&T.

"We've planned two days that the whole family can enjoy, but more importantly, everyone will assist the state in its environmental greening agenda."

Activities are scheduled at three

locations: The Forest Resource Education Center/N.J. Tree Nursery in Jackson; Colonial Park in Somerset; and the Pequest Wildlife Management Area on Route 46 in Pequest.

For more information on the event or to become a volunteer call 908-204-2277/2282 or fax at 1-800-55-TREES.

Newark Beth Israel host Festival of Health

NEWARK—Newark Beth Israel Medical Center is sponsoring a Festival of Health on Saturday, October 15, from 1 to 5 p.m. in the medical center's Outpatient Building at 166 Lyons Ave.

The festival, which is free and open to the public, will feature entertainment, including clowns, face painting for the children and music. Various free services will also be offered, including blood pressure screenings, free flu shots for participants over age 65, stress screenings, dental screenings, body fat analysis, physical activity readiness questionnaires, glaucoma screenings, and diabetic risk assessments and diabetic foot screenings.

In addition, refreshments will be served and there will be raffles and giveaways, and a variety of literature will be distributed to all. For information call 201-926-7175.

United offers free Healthy Kids Club kits

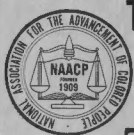
NEWARK—United-The Children's Hospital of New Jersey has created the Healthy Kids Club which offers free fun and helpful health information for children and their families.

Membership in the Healthy Kids Club can provide families with tips about bike safety, physicals, when to call the doctor, and much more. In addition, the kit includes a growth chart, coloring book and other surprises. Along with the kit, each child will receive his or her very own club membership card as well as a

monthly newsletter offering additional health information.

"There is no magical formula for helping our children get the best start, but there are some things we do know—immunizations, exercise, proper nutrition and regular check-ups, both medical and dental, are vital," said John Dandridge, Jr., president and CEO of United Healthcare System, adding, "The Healthy Kids Club can help provide this information to children and their families."

To receive a free Healthy Kids Club membership kit, call 1-800-637-NURSE.



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 10:30

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 For information and tickets, contact Brenda Carter (908) 270-5897.

Kumon helps your child succeed

PLAINFIELD—"Kumon Helps Your Child Succeed in School" is the subject of a presentation on Thursday, October 5, at Plainfield High School, Room 200, from 7 to 9 p.m. Pat Dawson the director of the Plainfield Kumon Math & Reading Center, located at the United Presbyterian Church, 525 E. Front St. will be conducting presentations."

The Plainfield Kumon Center has been in operation since May 1992 and is one of over 150 centers in the region. All interested parents, educators, PTA members, school administrators are welcomed to attend. The Kumon Method was developed in Japan 40 years ago by a high school math teacher named Toru Kumon.

According to Dawson "the Kumon Method provides a back-to-basics approach in Math and Reading." The method is an individualized, self study program that consists of 21 different levels in math and 19 different levels in reading, making it effective for both enrichment and remedial study.

The program not only improves the students' basic skills and concentration, but develops good study habits and confidence. Kumon is presently one of the largest supplemental education programs in the country.

During the presentation, Dawson will provide information on the Kumon Method, highlight student success stories and answer questions. Additional materials on the Kumon Method will also be available. For further info or to make an appointment call Pat Dawson at 753-4470 for further details, for directions and/or to make an appointment.

BUSINESS

MBA's honors black press journalist William Reed



William Reed

WASHINGTON DC—The National Black MBA Association (NBMAA) has named William Reed, executive director of the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA), as the group's "National Outstanding Communicator of the Year" for 1995.

According to NBMAA National Secretary Lajoy Mossby, the award was established to recognize individuals working within the news media who have made the greatest contribution in reporting on the need for African-American participation in the business community.

The group presented the award at their 17th annual conference in Boston. Reed was not able to attend the event because he was leading a

black press delegation in Nigeria at the time of the award presentation.

"I am very proud and pleased that this group saw fit to honor the Black Press, and myself, in this way," said Reed.

"It shows that, at least, these members of the nation's black 'talented tenth' recognize the value of looking inside and trying to help build institutions within our own community."

Reed, who is a former executive with the Bell System and is publisher of *Who's Who in Black Corporate America*, has been in the newspaper industry for over a decade and served as the chief operations officer for the 40,000-circulation *Capital Spotlight* newspaper before be-

coming the NNPA's chief staff official.

Dorothy Leavell, president of the NNPA, said, "I am so proud that the Black MBAs saw fit to recognize the value of the black press and the fine works of Mr. Reed."

In addition to managing the headquarter's staff for the NNPA, Reed is the author of the weekly "Business Exchange" column which appears on the *City News* business page regularly. Reed also supervises the NNPA News Service which functions as the primary news service for its member newspapers.

The NNPA is a 55-year-old trade association for black newspapers whose combined weekly circulation totals over 11 million.

"For years, too many of our groups have been honoring blacks who work in the white media, not recognizing the importance, and impact, they could have if they followed the advice of Booker T. Washington and 'laid their buckets down where they are,'" said Leavell.

"People need to remember that some of the greatest names that affected blacks' freedom were members of the black press. From Frederick Douglass to Marcus Garvey to the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, black writers and their works have helped lift our race through many troubled times. I am pleased with the progress that Bill Reed has helped make among this generation of African Americans."

BUSINESS CALENDAR

OCTOBER 2-12

ATTENTION—How To Be 'Tough As Nails' Negotiator one-day seminar at various locations in the tri-state area from 8:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more info and a location near you call 1-800-821-3919.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

GRANFORD—Tax Free and Tax Advanced Investments course at Union County College at 8:30 p.m. For more info call 908-739-7600.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

NEW YORK—Power Seminar at the New York Hotel City at 11 a.m. For more info call 1-800-685-2424.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

JERSEY CITY—Successful Investing for Women: No More Mistakes seminar at Jersey City State College from 10 to 11 a.m. Call 201-209-3968.

OCTOBER 7-8

DALLAS TX—DMA Creative Conference, Catalog Marketing, Worldwide Marketing Forum. For more info call 1212-766-7277, ext. 1613.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9

NEW BRUNSWICK—NJABO's 11th annual political & business program at the Hyatt Regency from 8 to 9 p.m. For more info call 908-721-9000.

OCTOBER 9-12

TRENTON—Meet the Experts: Counseling Marathon at MCCJ James Kersy Campus from 8 to 9 p.m. For more info call Lorraine Patrick Allen at 609-586-4800, x688 or fax 609-394-8167.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10

TRENTON—Small Business of the Year Awards Ceremony and Reception at Edison State College from 8 to 9 p.m. For more info call John Edwards at 609-989-2609 or fax 609-989-4243.

TRENTON—Open House in Downtown at State Street Commons from 1 to 4 p.m. For more info call 609-989-3509 or fax 609-989-4243.

BRIDGEWATER—Business Card Exchange at United National Bank at 5:30 p.m. For more info call 908-725-1552.

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WESTFIELD—Two seminars on Professional Investment Management at 195 Elm St. For more info call 908-789-4835.

NMBC appoints International Trade Advisory Committee

NEW YORK—The National Minority Business Council (NMBC) announced the appointment for members of the 1995-1996 Advisory Committee for the organization's International Trade Program (ITP). The goal of the Advisory Committee is to offer insight, guidance and resources for NMBC foreign export programs.

"Given our membership's increased interest in overseas markets, we felt it necessary to intensify our efforts in creating global networking opportunities specifically targeted for the women and minority-owned business community," stated John P. Robinson, NMBC president and CEO.

The NMBC, celebrating its 23rd anniversary, is a non-profit corporation dedicated to enhancing the success and profitability of the small

business community by providing high quality services, programs, advocacy and networking support.

"Specifically, the Committee's program development agenda will include the organization of educational seminars, conferences and trade missions as well as the provision of technical assistance for the small business community," states Kathryn D. Legary, managing director, NMBC/ITP. "In fact, the first item on the agenda is the scheduling of a trade mission to South Africa in March of 1996."

Members of the Advisory Committee are as follows: **Richard Akwei**, vice-president, JP Morgan; **Herbert Austin**, Trade Finance Director, New York Office of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA); **Frederick Blackson**, president, Classic Travel Consultants;

Charles Boggess, planning manager, The New York Aldridge Cooper, Jr., vice-president Community Relations for Johnson & Johnson; **Anthony G. Epps**, CFP Senior Partner, A.G. Epps Financial Group; **Louise Giallano**, president & CEO, U.S. Export Inc.; **Nina Lieberman**, a long-standing supporter of the NMBC, is based in Russia working with the World Bank; **Oaxana Huzantani**, executive director, JETRO New York; **Toshinaga Hirai**, director, JETRO New York and Susan Carpenter of JETRO New York; **Lawrence Rosenheim**, director, Office of International Business of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey; **Dr. Diane Simpson**, president & CEO, Simpson International Inc.; **Harold Spay**, president, SASCO, Inc.; and **Dr. Anita Underwood**, director, Delta Consulting Group.

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LEGAL NOTICE

INVITATION FOR BIDS
HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEWARK FOR THE PURCHASE OF 10 AND 20' INDUSTRIAL BOX TRUCKS
 NHA BID # 9-04687-2

The Housing Authority of the City of Newark (NHA) will receive sealed bids for the purchase of 18 AND 20' BOX TRUCKS on Monday, October 11, 1995 at 11:00 a.m.

All bidders are requested to indicate the specific applicable bid number and will be addressed and received on the above date by the Contract Division, Housing Authority of the City of Newark, 575 Sussex Avenue, Newark, New Jersey 07103. Bids are to be sealed and marked as such and will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Bid Specifications for above and below will be available for pick up at the Contract Division of the NHA at the bid address (TEL: 908-754-2035).

Bid Bonds and Performance Bonds are not required for these bids.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975 c.127.

The NHA reserves the right to reject any or all bids in the event that less than two (2) bids are received at the designated time of bidding. The NHA reserves the right to reject any partial bids.

No bids shall be opening for a period of thirty (30) days subsequent to the opening of bids without the consent of the NHA.

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 HAROLD LUCAS
 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
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LEGAL NOTICE
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The Housing Authority of the City of Morristown invites sealed bids for the procurement of the following type of insurance:

Property Insurance Policy Effective 12/1/95
Bond Policy Effective 12/1/95
Director & Officers Liability Policy Effective 2/9/95

The policy expiration dates for all three policies will be 10/1/96. The three policies are to be bid as one package.

The bid opening date is **November 22, 1995 at 10:00 a.m.**, prevailing time, at the Administrative Offices of the Morristown Housing Authority, 31 Early St., Morristown, NJ.

A copy of the bid specifications can be obtained at the Administrative Offices. **DOCUMENTS WILL NOT BE MAILED.**

DAVID GARDNER
 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
 MORRISTOWN HOUSING AUTHORITY
 FEE: \$54.50

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There is one set of bidding documents covering the project which may be examined at the Housing Authority of the City of Newark, 575 Sussex Avenue, Newark, New Jersey, on Monday through Friday on regular business days. A copy of the documents may be obtained after October 3, 1995 at the offices of the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General, 71 Neilson Street, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

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